

## Home Matters.

### Church Directories.

Commonwealth.—Rev. W. C. Smith, at home. Visits Hall, every Sunday at half past 10 o'clock A.M. and 7 o'clock in the evening.

Mercantile Editorial.—Rev. Curtis Morris, at half past 10 o'clock A.M. and half past 7 o'clock in the evening, every Sunday.

Literary.—Rev. David Voss, every Sunday at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

POTESTANT EPISCOPAL.—Rev. G. B. Engle, at the Common Council Room, every Sunday at half past 10 o'clock A.M. and 7 o'clock P.M.

Baptist.—Rev. J. S. George, at Union Hall, every Sunday, at 10 o'clock A.M. and 7 P.M.

**THE CITY HALL AND MARKET.**

The Common Council of East Saginaw have purchased of C. W. Grant, Esq., 60 feet square for a place wherein to build a City Hall. There is, as there always is reason to expect, a great diversity of opinion as to the propriety and fitness of the location. For ourselves, we believe it is in the wrong spot, and not calculated geographically to accommodate the greatest number of our citizens. But there seems to be but one opinion (outside of those interested in the sale or purchase) as to its unfitness in regard to size and the extraordinary price paid, or to be paid for it. As a market it is not one quarter large enough for the present use of the city, and we hope to grow vastly for the next twenty years. In a business point of view this purchase is worse than simply ridiculous; it is decidedly foolish and outrageous—it is a squandering of the city funds for property that will in no way answer the purposes intended.

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THE MR. VERNON ESTATE.—From an extra of the *Mr. Vernon Record*, which a friend has sent us, we learn that Mr. Washington has not failed, and that the Mr. Vernon Estate is unimpeachable.—The money for its purchase has all been collected but not paid over, owing to an unwillingness of the ladies to take the estate without the means to take care of it. When the ladies desire it Mr. Washington can give a clear title to the estate. This fact appears to be presented on uncontested testimony from the proper records.—*Det. Tribune*.

GEO. C. BATES' LECTURE.—During the last fifteen years we have many times listened to Mr. Bates, at the bar, the hustings and elsewhere, but on none of those occasions did he ever acquit himself so well, or, at all events, so much to our satisfaction as did he in his lecture before the Lyceum of this city last Friday evening. His subject was—California—a subject upon which he is as well informed as he is enthusiastic. The letters to the Detroit *Advertiser* while en route for that region and after his arrival there—and some of them were decidedly sound on the "nigger," a position from which he has since somewhat receded—were by far the best, most readable and interesting of any and all the "California correspondence" we have ever met with.

Mr. BATES' eloquence was very fine; his manner that of an orator and a polished gentleman, a character which he has powerfully sustained; and his language rich, chaste and eloquent. Aside from a too apparent extravagance of style in his oratory on *Broadway*, and the Saginaw Valley, there was nothing in the lecture to which we would take exception, and the earnest, enrapt attention of the largest and most intelligent audience we have yet seen assembled here, which was only interrupted by their frequent demonstrations of applause, attested how well they were pleased with both lecture and lecturer. At the conclusion a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Bates.

LUMBER PROSPECTS.—We are informed that there are probably as many or more logs now banked than were got out during the whole of last season, and still the sleighing continues and is likely to continue for a long time to come. Our lumbermen and stave men never felt better, and all classes look forward confidently to a better scale of prices next spring, and "good times" generally. So mote it be.

NO. 2'S. BALL.—We again call attention to the fact, that on Monday evening next, Excelsior Engine Co. No. 2, of this city, give a grand ball at the Bancroft House, the proceeds to go towards purchasing a Bell for their Engine-House. It is hoped there will be a large turn out.

"Coming Down to His Wear."—The Enterprise of to-day under the forcious hand of the slanders of East Saginaw, gives a column-and-a-half lead of immense weight, but rather more extensive than readable. The editor asks therein:

"Our democratic Mayor, our democratic City Attorney, who is (or should be) the legal adviser of the Council, and our democratic City Treasurer—are these included among the innocent or guilty?"

Among the innocent, sir. The Mayor only votes in case of a tie, and as there are five republicans to one democratic Alderman, that case seldom occurs. The City Attorney gives his legal opinion whenever called upon so to do, and law or no law, the Council act in the premises as they see fit. As for the City Treasurer he is all innocence, for he can't even get a fair sight at the funds of the city.

MORE INSTITUTIONS.—In our enumeration of the "institutions" in this city, though we figured up some two hundred, we omitted:

1 Cornet Band.

2 Clothing Stores.

1 Handicraft Manufactury,

and one railroad, not finished to any definite point as yet, but will be in the spring. At each of the clothing stores a very heavy trade in furs is carried on.

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DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY.—The destruction of property in the United States, from all causes is estimated at the enormous figure of fifty millions per annum. Seventeen millions are annually struck out by fire. The marine losses are more than twenty millions, exceeding by a considerable per cent. the English losses, and by still more those of France. The balance is made up of lossless railroad accidents, and other casualties attributable to carelessness and recklessness "go aheadiness."

The usual quiet of our town in reference to the health of its citizens is so far restored that school commenced yesterday. We anticipate no further trouble from the pestilence that has for some time been created much undue excitement.—*Tuscarora Pioneer*, 25th.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

For the Holidays!!!

Confectionery,

Candy Toys,

Candies,

Confectionery,

and

more Confectionery

and Candy.

Dec. 23. DAN. P. FOX.

TOYS,

Books,

Jewelry,

Presents,

In great variety,

for the Holidays,

at

F. N. BRIDGEMAN & CO.,

old stand of A. Ferguson.

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### FOR THE FALL AND WINTER TRADE.

### SANBORN & TUCKER,

GENESEE STREET.

Have Just Opened a Large

And Well Assorted Stock

—OF—

### GROCERIES,

Provisions, Family Supplies, Woods-ware, &c.

For Lumbermen and Family use, which will sell, as usual, at moderate price. The following form but a small portion of our stock:

FLOUR, FEED, PORK, BUTTER, LARD,

Cheese, Sugar, Hams,

COFFEE, ... TEA, ... BUCKETS, ... BASKETS

Brooms, Brushes,

BURNING FLUID, CIGARS, TOBACCO,

Champagne, Oils,

CRACKERS, MOLASSES, SYRUP,

Rice, Preserved Citron, Balloons, Currants, Fruit,

Wine, Buckets, Corks, Tins, Cakes, Lard,

Soap, Camphor, Flour Pails, Sugar Boxes, Paints, Paints,

Kerosene Oil, Wick's Oil, Kicks, &c., &c.

Coffee—Liquor, Mocha, Java,

Sugar—Crushed, Powdered, Granulated, Brown

and Coffee sugar all grades.

Teas—Compound, Imperial, Black and Green,

12 oz. each.

We have on hand this Fall a better assortment of goods than we have ever before brought into this market, and thankful for the very liberal patronage thus far received, hope to merit no continuance.

SANBORN & TUCKER,

East Saginaw, Aug. 2, 1859.

W. L. P. LITTLE & CO.,

DRUGS & MEDICINES.

HESS, BRO. & CO.,

At the old stand, on Genesee Street, call attention to their full and complete assortment of

DRUGS,

PAINTS,

OILS,

PATENT MEDICINES,

BRUSHES,

SPOONGES,

DYE-STUFFS,

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COSMETICS,

SOAP,

SYRINGES,

NOTIONS,

AND THE VERY LATEST.

Peace in Europe.

BIG CROPS IN AMERICA.

GOOD TIMES COMING.

LUMBER ON THE RISE.

Freights Low.

SAGINAW VALLEY SOUND.

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